

THE REMARKS

Claims 1-23 were pending prior to entering the amendments.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

Claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The Examiner rejected Claim 1 as allegedly incomplete for omitting essential elements. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the missing elements listed by the Examiner. Support for the amendments is found in the Specification at page 6, line 20 to page 7, line 2; page 8, lines 11-19; page 9, lines 4-23; page 10, line 22 to page 11, line 9; and page 12, lines 3-15.

The Examiner rejected Claims 11 and 13 as allegedly being ambiguous. Claims 11 and 13 have been amended to clarify the reference to “header fields.” Support for the amendments is found in the Specification at page 9, lines 4-23; page 10, line 22 to page 11, line 9; and page 12, lines 3-15. Also, the temporal relationship between the modifying and adding steps as recited in these claims is correct. *See, e.g.*, page 6, line 20, to page 7, line 1.

The Examiner rejected Claim 14 as allegedly being incomplete. Claim 14 has been amended to incorporate the missing elements listed by the Examiner. Support for these amendments is founding the Specification at page 6, line 3 to page 7 line 2.

The Examiner rejected Claim 19 as allegedly being incomplete for failing to establish the relationship between the packet header and the reduced header part. Claim 19 has been amended to establish the relationship between the packet header and the reduced header part. Support for these amendments is founding the Specification at page 6, line 3 to page 7 line 2.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner stated that Claims 1, 7, 11, 14, and 19 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. These Claims have been amended to overcome the above rejections.

CONCLUSION

For all the foregoing reasons, reconsideration of and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections is respectfully requested. The Examiner is earnestly solicited to allow all claims, and pass this application to issuance.

To expedite allowance of this case, the Examiner is earnestly invited to call Robert C. Laurenson at (949) 759-5269.

Respectfully submitted,

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